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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)  
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
**PCT/DE99/00896**

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**25 March 1999**

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TITLE OF INVENTION  
**"SUPPLY MODULE FOR FEEDING ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS TO AN AUTOMATIC  
COMPONENT-MOUNTING MACHINE"**

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
  2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
  3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay.
  4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
  5. ☒ A copy of International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
    - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
    - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
    - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
  6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3))
    - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
    - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
    - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
    - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
  8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
  9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
  10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
- Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:
11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98; (PTO 1449, Prior Art, Search Report).
  12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.  
(SEE ATTACHED ENVELOPE)
  13. ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
  14. ☐ A substitute specification.
  15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
  16. ☒ Other items or information:
    - a. ☒ Submittal of Drawings
    - b. ☒ EXPRESS MAIL #EJ220499395 US, dated September 26, 2000.

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17. ☒ The following fees are submitted:**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5):**

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$840.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) .. \$700.00

No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but  
international search fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$770.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) nor international  
search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$1040.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all  
claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) ..... \$ 96.00**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

CALCULATIONS

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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30 months  
from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)).

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Number Filed

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Total Claims

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X \$ 18.00

\$ .00

Independent Claims

2 - 3 =

X \$ 78.00

\$ .00

Multiple Dependent Claims

\$260.00 +

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a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 840.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. A  
duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any  
overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501519. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)) must be  
filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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## **"SUBMITTAL OF DRAWINGS"**

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**SIR:**

Enclosed is a copy of the drawings as filed, showing Figures 1 - 3 on a single sheet. Also enclosed is a second copy of the drawings marked in red with proposed drawing changes. In particular, elements disclosed and claimed in the application are added to the drawings. No new matter is added thereby. Approval of the proposed drawing changes is hereby requested.

~~Respectfully submitted:~~

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